

Remarks

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application, as amended, and consideration of the following remarks.

Amendments**Amendments to the Claims**

Applicants have amended the claims and have canceled claims to more particularly point out what Applicants regard as the invention. No new matter has been added as a result of these amendments.

Rejections Under 35 U.S. C. § 102(b)

In view of the above claim amendments, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) is moot.

Summary

Applicants believe that the above amendments *prima facia* place the application in condition for allowance and therefore respectfully request that the claim rejections be withdrawn and the application advanced to allowance.

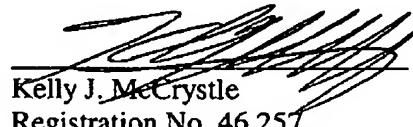
If the Examiner determines the prompt allowance of these claims could be facilitated by a telephone conference, the Examiner is invited to contact Kelly J. McCrystle at (650)-474-3326.

Deposit Account Authorization

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 01-0025 for any charges that may be due or credit out account for any overpayment. Furthermore, if an extension is required, then Applicants hereby request such extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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